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Dr. Jerry Grundfest, Executive Director
Hall of Fame for Great Americans
Two Washington Square Village
New York, N. Y. 10012

Dear Dr. Grundfest:

I am writing to you both as an historian of women and as Bicentennial Chairman of the National Council of Women to encourage you to include Clara Barton in the Hall of Fame for Great Americans.

The career of Clara Barton offers an extraordinary record of devotion to the cause of the helpless and oppressed. Clara Barton's initiative, energy and imagination have few equals in the 19th century. I hope that she will at last come fully into her own by inclusion in the Hall of Fame. International Women's Year could not be a more appropriate time to honor one whose interests and concerns extended beyond the borders of her nation and affected the destiny of thousands beyond our own shores.

Sincerely,



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cc: Mildred Talbot